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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-1168]

Certain Light-Emitting Diode Products, Systems, and Components Thereof (III)

Notice of Request for Statements on the Public Interest

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that, on June 26, 2020, the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) issued an Initial Determination on Violation of Section 337 and Recommended Determination on Remedy and Bond in the above-captioned investigation. The Commission is soliciting comments on public interest issues raised by the recommended relief, should the Commission find a violation. This notice is soliciting public interest comments from the public only. Parties are to file public interest submissions pursuant to Commission rules.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard P. Hadorn, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3179. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal, telephone (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (“Section 337”) provides that if the Commission finds a violation it shall exclude the articles concerned from the

United States unless the public interest factors listed in 19 U.S.C. 1337(d)(1) prevent such action.

The Commission is soliciting comments on public interest issues raised by the recommended relief should the Commission find a violation, specifically: a limited exclusion order (“LEO”) directed to certain light-emitting diode products, systems, and components thereof imported, sold for importation, and/or sold after importation by Cree, Inc. of Durham, North Carolina; Cree Hong Kong, Ltd. of Shatin, Hong Kong; Cree Huizhou Solid State Lighting Co. Ltd. of Guangdong, China; Lumileds Holding B.V. of Schipol, Netherlands; Lumileds LLC of San Jose, California; Nichia Corp. of Tokushima, Japan; Nichia America Corp. of Wixom, Michigan; OSRAM Licht AG and OSRAM GmbH, both of Munich, Germany; OSRAM Opto Semiconductors GmbH of Regensburg, Germany; OSRAM Opto Semiconductors, Inc. of Sunnyvale, California; Acuity Brands, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia; Acuity Brands Lighting, Inc. of Conyers, Georgia; General Electric Company of Boston, Massachusetts; Consumer Lighting (U.S.), LLC (d/b/a GE Lighting, LLC) of Cleveland, Ohio; Current Lighting Solutions, LLC of Cleveland, Ohio; LEDVANCE LLC of Wilmington, Massachusetts; Leedarson Lighting Co., Ltd. of Xiamen, China; Leedarson America, Inc. of Smyrna, Georgia; Signify N.V. (f/k/a Phillips Lighting N.V.) of Eindhoven, Netherlands; and Signify North America Corporation of Somerset, New Jersey that infringe one or more of claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 21 of U.S. Patent No. 7,095,053; and claims 1 and 6 of U.S. Patent No. 7,528,421.

The Commission is interested in developing the record on the public interest in this investigation. Accordingly, parties are to file public interest submissions pursuant to 19 CFR 210.50(a)(4). In addition, members of the public are hereby invited to file submissions of no more than five (5) pages, inclusive of attachments, concerning the public interest in light of the ALJ’s Recommended Determination on Remedy and Bond issued in this investigation on June

26, 2020. Comments should address whether issuance of the remedial orders in this investigation, should the Commission find a violation, would affect the public health and welfare in the United States, competitive conditions in the United States economy, the production of like or directly competitive articles in the United States, or United States consumers.

In particular, the Commission is interested in comments that:

- (i) Explain how the articles potentially subject to the recommended LEO are used in the United States;
- (ii) Identify any public health, safety, or welfare concerns in the United States relating to the recommended LEO;
- (iii) Identify like or directly competitive articles that complainant, its licensees, and/or third parties make in the United States which could replace the subject articles if they were to be excluded;
- (iv) Indicate whether complainant, its licensees, and/or third-party suppliers have the capacity to replace the volume of articles potentially subject to the recommended LEO within a commercially reasonable time; and
- (v) Explain how the recommended LEO would impact consumers in the United States.

Written submissions from the public must be filed no later than by close of business on **July 28, 2020**.

Persons filing written submissions must file the original document electronically on or before the deadlines stated above. The Commission's paper filing requirements in 19 CFR 210.4(f) are currently waived. 85 *Fed. Reg.* 15798 (Mar. 19, 2020). Submissions should refer to the investigation number ("Inv. No. 337-TA-1168") in a prominent place on the cover page

and/or the first page. (See *Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures*, [https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures .pdf](https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf)). Persons with questions regarding filing should contact the Secretary ((202) 205-2000). Any person desiring to submit a document to the Commission in confidence must request confidential treatment. All such requests should be directed to the Secretary to the Commission and must include a full statement of the reasons why the Commission should grant such treatment. See 19 CFR 201.6. Documents for which confidential treatment by the Commission is properly sought will be treated accordingly. All information, including confidential business information and documents for which confidential treatment is properly sought, submitted to the Commission for purposes of this Investigation may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. All contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements. All non-confidential written submissions will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Secretary and on EDIS.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in Part 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR part 210).

By order of the Commission.

Dated: June 29, 2020.

Lisa Barton,
Secretary to the Commission.

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